



We will not be holding a meeting in July, but we are holding out hope that the number of COVID-19 cases will be low enough that we can have a picnic in August. Further information will be sent out when we have it. Please help the community's case numbers go down by getting vaccinated and following other healthy habits like wearing masks indoors and keeping your distance from others who are unvaccinated. We will need to work with Kennewick First Lutheran to determine what conditions need to be met for us to resume in person meeting in the church

It is time to start planning as if we are going to hold Taste of Scandinavia in October. We need demonstrators, cooks, bakers, people to man the cash tables, people to set up and take down – all kinds of people. We also need ideas for new types of displays, demonstrations, foods, etc. If you have ideas, please contact a board member.

Once we get 'back to normal', what classes or groups would you like to see the lodge provide? Knitting? Singing? Hand crafts, food classes? Are there Cultural skills pins that you might want to work on? That you can help teach?

Lodge officers

It is time for us to get busy filling out a slate of officers for the next year. We would love to have multiple nominees for every office!! If you want information about what an office entails, ask us - we will love to tell you. We MUST find a new VP, as that office is vacant at the moment. All other officers are up for grabs, too, as this slate has been in office for 2 years, now.

We also need volunteers to revitalize the Heritage Committee. We have a plenty of money just waiting for us to come up with ideas to grow the lodge: programs to hold, speakers or teachers to bring in, trips to museums, what else can we dream up? But we can't disburse the money until we get a committee to review those ideas. The lodge officers can't serve on the committee, but can advise the committee if there are questions. Unless we suddenly have an influx of proposals, it is not a committee that takes a lot of time, so please consider being one of the six committee members.

It is also time to begin thinking about being a delegate to the District convention next spring – maybe even running for a district office!! Most of the district officers will have been in their offices for four years instead of the usual two by next spring, and many would welcome a replacement. We have quite a few members who have been delegates if you want to find out a bit about being a delegate. We have a few members who have been District officers, too.

Sol-Land Lodge holds a monthly meeting on the third Friday of the month. We have a potluck dinner beginning at 6:30pm. Guests are not expected to bring food just to come and enjoy themselves! The cultural program begins about 7:30. We meet at Kennewick First Lutheran Church on the corner of HWY 395 and Yelm. We have a board meeting on the last Monday of the month, beginning at 7:00pm, also at Kennewick First Lutheran. If you wish to come to a meeting, but do not have transportation, please contact us and we will arrange it for you. If you are interested in a membership, give one of us a call; we can tell you what we are all about and how to go about becoming a member. You can also visit our lodge website at www.sol-land.org.



Officers for 2021

President - Greg Holter
Vice President
Secretary - Nancy Holter
Treasurer – Lucinda Twedt
Counselor - Virginia Fields
Social Director - Rennae Rosenberg
Cultural Director - Gretchen Makinson
Assistant Cultural – Ron Rolla, Joe Molvik
Sports Director – Lisa Barthlomew
Foundation Director - Nancy Holter
Publicity Director - Kristie Edwards
Editors - Sara Watson/Nancy Holter
Musician - Linnea Hillesland
Librarian – Maureen Woodward/Gretchen Makinson
Marshall - Brad Horst
Assistant Marshall - Dave Payson
Greeter - Donna Smitt
Assistant Greeter - Ginger Fields/Elaine Shepherd
Sunshine Comm.
Scholarship Chair - Dick Nordness
Tubfrim Chair – Laurie Tyssen

Norse Mythology

Interested in Norse mythology and don't know where to start? Norse mythology is full of fascinating stories and complex characters. There are many new books, TV series and movies based (more or less) on it. 'Life in Norway' has "A Beginner's Guide to Norse Mythology" that you might find interesting and informative.

<https://www.lifeinnorway.net/norse-mythology/> . The web site has lots of other interesting information on it – far too much to list, so go poke around and see what all you can learn! And maybe you will find something you get caught up in, do more research on, and can give a presentation to the lodge!

District events

The District 2 Golf Tournament is in Cle Elum, August 14. Registration is due by July 25!!, so you don't have a lot of time to get it in. Contact Laurie Berg (Laurieberg.lb@gmail.com, (206) 235-5558) or a lodge officer for more information.

The District Adult Heritage Retreat is being planned for September 17-19. I know there will be COVID safety measure in place, but as of now we do not know the agenda or how many campers will be allowed to attend. We will pass on information as soon as we know it.





Road trip in Norway!!

If you don't easily get car sick and have 45 minutes to spare, you might enjoy this "minute-by-minute" video of some gorgeous Norwegian scenery, filmed out the windshield while driving some of Norway's crooked roads on a road trip video from Dalsnibba, Europe's tallest viewpoint from an automobile road to the well-known Eagle Road and the beautiful viewpoint Ørnesvingen (Eagle swing) watching over Geiranger and the Geiranger-fjord from both sides. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mwg2Hz7WCRY>



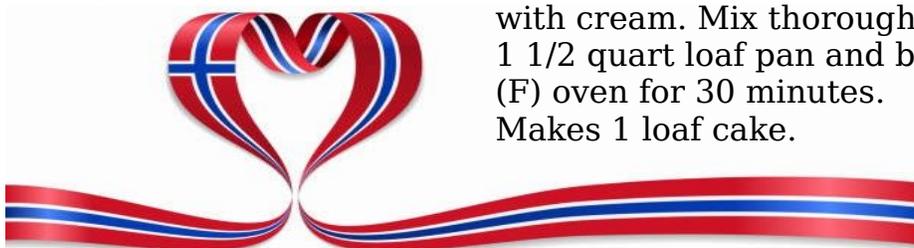
Golden Spice Cake (Sirupskake)

From Authentic Norwegian Cooking by Astrid Kalsen Scott

Ingredients:

1/2 cup scant butter	3/4 tsp. ginger
2 eggs	2 tsp. baking powder
3/4 cup syrup, Lyle's Golden	1 1/2 cup flour
1/4 cup orange marmalade	2/3 cup light cream

Cream butter until soft, add eggs, syrup and orange marmalade and blend well. Add ginger and baking powder to the flour. Add to butter mixture alternately with cream. Mix thoroughly. Pour into a greased 1 1/2 quart loaf pan and bake in a preheated 350° (F) oven for 30 minutes.
Makes 1 loaf cake.



Norway's new National Museum to open on June 11, 2022

Minister of Culture Abid Raja (V) announced the opening date at a digital event on Friday afternoon. He used the opportunity to pay tribute to the new museum building.

“The Norwegian National Museum is a building, a house, a home for art and culture that is second to none – not even Guggenheim or Tate. An international building open to the world, which places us in the highest elite in the international art world,” Raja said.

Several postponements

The red-green government approved the construction of the Nordic region's largest art museum in 2013. It was supposed to open in the autumn of 2020, but after several postponements, it should be ready next year. The new National Museum will house over 100,000 works over 55,000 square meters.

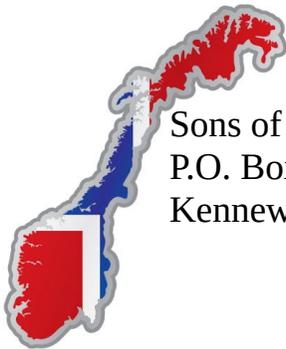
“The new building gives us completely new opportunities to fulfill the National Museum's task of making art accessible to anyone and everyone,” museum director Karen Hindsbo said.

Price tag of over NOK 6 billion

More than 5,000 works will be displayed in the permanent exhibition, including famous older paintings and contemporary art, fashion, design, textiles, handicrafts, and sculptures.

The price tag for the construction project is NOK 6.1 billion.

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